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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : SA/DCI/IA

SUBJECT : Breakfast Meeting with Defense

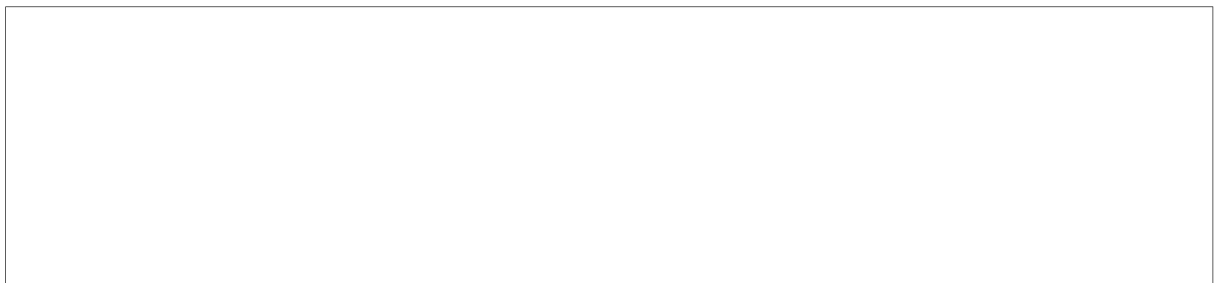
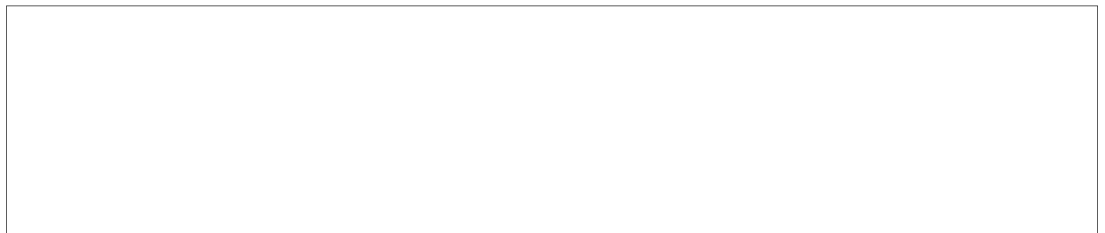
1. The following items have been proposed for your discussion tomorrow morning.

-- Middle East

-- I do not believe you have had an opportunity to exchange ideas on this area since Weinberger's trip. You may wish, therefore, to ask him for a briefing on his discussions even though they preceded the Fez Summit and Bashir's assassination.

-- Post-Bashir Prospects. In light of Bashir's assassination, you may wish to discuss peace prospects given the Israeli move back into West Beirut and various reactions to the Fez Summit, including Soviet. Charlie Waterman has provided some thoughts.

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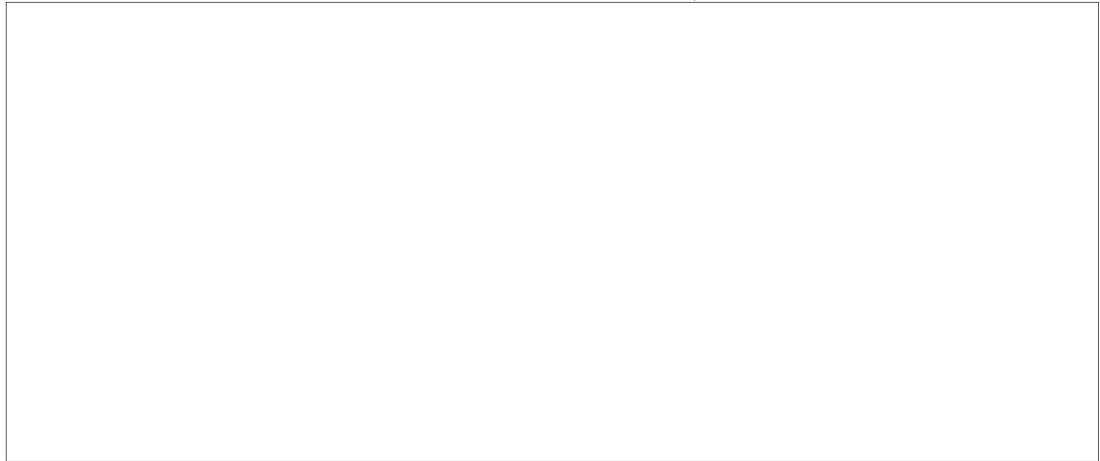


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- Status of IIM on Soviet ABM Developments. As you did with McFarlane yesterday, you may wish to report that it will still be a couple of weeks before the IIM is ready.



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- Pipeline. Carlucci has requested that this be on the agenda. You may wish to provide him a preview of the judgments from our draft SNIE.

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3. Please let me know if there is any other material that you wish to have for this meeting.



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Talking Points on Lebanon: Post-Assassination Update

1. The Lebanese seem determined to press ahead and elect a new President before Sarkis' term expires on 23 September.

- Amin Jumayyil, Bashir's fairly moderate brother, seems to be the front runner.

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- The key will be Pierre Jumayyil's position. As Phalange party founder he can anoint Amin and probably get other Maronites to line up.
- Ex-President Camille Chamoun is the next most likely candidate but, at 82, his health is questionable.

2. The Israelis have overrun West Beirut. Prime Minister Wazzan has sharply criticized the US for not stopping Begin.

- Despite the problems among moderate Muslims and in its possible effect on the electoral process, the IDF advance into West Beirut may have some short term advantages: it prevents the fighting in the area from getting out of control given overwhelming Israeli/Maronite strength; it prevents a revenge massacre by the Maronites of the Muslim militias; it probably will bring about disarmament of the leftist Muslim militias which otherwise would be difficult indeed.
- The key now is to secure Begin's agreement for a rapid IDF withdrawal to be followed by a stepped up Lebanese army takeover of the city. The Muslims will want assurances that the Phalange will not follow the IDF into the city.
- If the Israelis indefinitely stay in West Beirut, US relations with the moderate Arabs will take another beating. The Arabs will charge the IDF takeover violates the Habib agreements.

3. Finally, it will not be lost on Arabs elsewhere that every leader who has come close to a rapprochement with the Israelis -- ex-Jordanian King Abdullah, Sadat, and now Bashir -- has been assassinated.

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